

the Season after Pentecost



Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 12, 2026

10 a.m.

Trinity Episcopal Church

317 Franklin Street
Clarksville, TN 37040
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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We are delighted that you have joined us for worship this morning. You will find that our worship blends the ancient mysteries of the church with a modern and vibrant faith. Located in the pew rack are Hymnals and the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), along with connection cards. Please fill out a Welcome Card and place it in the offering plate so that we can connect you with the life of the church.

NURSERY: Kids of all ages are welcome to attend the service! However, parents may prefer to take infants and toddlers up to 3 years old to our staffed nursery, located downstairs in the Parish House next to the sanctuary. The ushers or greeters can accompany you to the nursery.

Please note that the Parish House doors are locked during the service. Should you need access to the Nursery during the service, please see an usher, or go to the breezeway door and the gatekeeper will assist you.

RESTROOM: A restroom is located to the right as you enter the church, to the left as you exit.

LIGHTING A VOTIVE: The Little Side Chapel, located in the alcove to the left as you enter the church, is available to anyone wishing to light a candle and have a few moments of reflection and prayer.

VOLUNTARY:Elegy

G. T. Thalben-Ball (1898-1987)

WELCOME

SILENT MEDITATION AND RINGING OF THE BELL

The Word of God

OPENING HYMN:

Hymn 48

O day of radiant gladness

*Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein
Hymnals are found in the pew racks.*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA: Hymnal S280

Hymn numbers with an S are at the beginning of the Hymnal.

The People sing:

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,

almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant, we beseech thee, that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain these liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 25:19-34

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the LORD for his wife, because she was barren; and the LORD granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the LORD. And the LORD said to her,

"Two nations are in your womb,
and two peoples born of you shall be divided;
the one shall be stronger than the other,
the elder shall serve the younger."

When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 119:105-112

105 Your word is a lantern to my feet *
and a light upon my path.

**106 I have sworn and am determined *
to keep your righteous judgments.**

107 I am deeply troubled; *
preserve my life, O LORD, according to your word.

**108 Accept, O LORD, the willing tribute of my lips, *
and teach me your judgments.**

109 My life is always in my hand, *
yet I do not forget your law.

110 The wicked have set a trap for me, *
but I have not strayed from your commandments.

111 Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; *
truly, they are the joy of my heart.

112 I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes *
for ever and to the end.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Romans 8:1-11

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN:

Hymn 440
All stand

Blessed Jesus, at thy word

Liebster Jesu

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except

the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Form III)

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Trinity's search for our next priest;

That we may discern our call with patience, trust and love.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for all the men and women in the service of our nation, and their families, at home and abroad.

Defend them, give them courage, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions, silently or aloud.

The Celebrant concludes with a suitable Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel. Silence may be kept.

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY

You may leave your offering in the plates as they are passed, or visit <https://trinityparish.com/giving/> or scan the QR code using your phone's camera to give online.



You may also mail your offering or pledge to: 317 Franklin Street, Clarksville, TN 37040

OFFERTORY HYMN

Hymn 478

Surely it is God who saves me

Thomas Merton

DOXOLOGY

The People stand and sing while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer B)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Proper Preface

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS: Hymnal S125

The People sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The People remain standing or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [] and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

DISTRIBUTION

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Communion. Here are the options at Trinity:

Bread and wine: *You will receive bread in your hand, which you should immediately consume, and then you will drink from the chalice. You may assist in directing the wine to your lips, touching only the base of the chalice. Please do not touch the upper part of the chalice.*

Intinction: *You may very carefully dip the edge of the wafer in the wine. Please do not touch the upper part of the chalice.*

Bread only: *After receiving bread, cross both arms over your chest to indicate no wine.*

Blessing only: *If you or your child wish to receive a priest's blessing instead of bread and wine, please cross your arms over your chest.*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Please join in the singing of the Communion hymns.

Hymn 615

"Thy kingdom come!"

St. Flavian

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The people stand or kneel.

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN:

Hymn 541

Come labor on

Ora Labora

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

VOLUNTARY: Trumpet Voluntary

John Stanley (1712-1786)

Please join us in the Parish Hall immediately following today's service for coffee and refreshments.

Those serving today

Welcome: Chris Nolder

1st reading: Kathy McBeth Murray

Psalm: Jeanie Johnke Faust

2nd reading: Lucas Evan Smith

Prayers: Maryalice Telford

Verger: Chris Smith

LEM/Cross: Jack Murray

Torch/server: Allison Lee Stroman

Torch/plates: Zeke Green

Torch: John Luke Nolder

Ushers: Howell Foust Jodi Stephens

Greeters: Christie Crawford Katy Potts

Livestream: Nnaji Ihuoma Chukwu

Gatekeeper: Megan Williams

Parish H. lockup: Chris Smith

Altar Guild: Matthew

Celebrant

We are joined this summer by the Rev. Dan Gross of Washington, D.C.

Flower donation

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the Flower Guild.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

ST MARY'S RETREAT CENTER, SEWANEE AND ST. MARY'S CONVENT, SEWANEE

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Russ, Christina, and William Longhurst

Frank Lott and Patricia Marquess

James, Kelly, Li, Rhianna, Jamison, Gwendolynn, Joshua, and Gunnar Loy

Parish Prayer List

Shirley Hood

Josh Boehm

Calendar

SUNDAY WORSHIP:

- **7:30 a.m.:** Holy Eucharist Rite I, spoken
- **10 a.m.:** Holy Eucharist Rite II, with music, nursery available

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

9 a.m.

- **Children's Sunday School** will resume in the fall.
- **Adults:** Walk in Love: "Episcopal Beliefs and Practices" by Scott Gunn

11:30 a.m. (following 10 a.m. service)

- **Adults:** The Old Testament Prophets in Context

Nursery is available during the 10 a.m. service for infants up to 3 years old.

Children's Chapel will resume in the fall.

FELLOWSHIP:

- **Adult Class:** "There are No Dumb Questions About the Bible" with Father Dan Gross. Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

- **Small Groups** meet weekly or bi-weekly. To sign up, go to <https://trinityparish.com/engage/small-group-connections/> or call the church office, 931-645-2458.
- **Loaves & Fishes** Trinity volunteer Day, third Wednesdays at noon, 325 Crossland Ave.

Announcements

VBS volunteers are needed! It's almost time for VBS and we need YOU! We are in need of volunteers for group leaders, games, and crafts! Contact Maryalice Telford if you can help at 931-216-2267!



Surprise Party VBS 2026: Our five-day VBS is going to be packed full of fun! Each day, we will be learning about how Jesus gives us peace in a chaotic world.

Do you have any chaos in your life? We all do! Besides major stuff, as parents, our days are often filled with hectic schedules, last-minute practices, paying the bills, and figuring out what to make for supper every single night! It's easy to get wound up in the midst of disorder.

That's why we need to remember that Jesus is our strength in the midst of chaos. Each day, we will be learning about how Jesus gives us peace in a chaotic world. Along with Bible lessons, we will have fun skits, play games, make crafts, worship, and just have a bunch of fun together!

Register below by Scanning Qr code:

- Grade levels: Entering pre-k through fifth grade.
- July 27-31
- Drop off time: 5:30 p.m. (light dinner will be served 5:30-6 p.m.)
- Pick up time: 8 p.m.



Episcopal Laymen's Conference: The 80th Annual Episcopal Churchmen of Tennessee Conference is coming up! We look forward to gathering once again at the beautiful St. Mary's Sewanee Aug. 7-9, for fellowship, worship, and meaningful conversation. Trinity regularly sends a large group of sturdy (and not-so-sturdy) men to this awesome event. Questions? Chris Smith, 931-743-1180 or smittyonline@gmail.com. To register or check out more info, go to <https://tnchurchmen.org/register>

Your pledge to Trinity: We are called to discern how we can best support the growth of God's kingdom. Stewardship isn't limited to one season – our gifts of time, talent and treasure can be offered at any point throughout the year. Your pledge helps Trinity sustain our sacred space and expand our outreach and connection in the community. Thank you for sharing your commitment to Trinity. Scan here to submit your pledge online or contact the church office.



Parish BBQ: Trinity will be hosting a parish BBQ September 25th! Go ahead and mark your calendars and keep checking the bulletins to see the sign up sheets that will be coming, also check out the facebook page to stay in the loop!



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Our Team

Office Administrator: Kelsey Deboard
Music Director: Dr. Daniel Copher
Nursery: Kelly Loy and Lisa Mejeun
Treasurer: Beverly Kimbrough
Lead Verger: Chris Smith

Our Vestry

Howell Foust, Senior Warden
Bill Kimbrough, Junior Warden
Thommy Barbeauld
Will Green
Bob Houston
Frank Lott

Cornelia Mitchell
Chris Nolder
Kate Smith
Amy Truesdale
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